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Mr. Lance Jackson, Mining Engineer Interstate Brick Company 9780 South 5200 West West Jordan, Utah 84084

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Black Shale Mine, S/049/003, Utah County, Utah.

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on August 25, 1988. The application for the proposed Black Shale Mine, located in the SE1/4, SE1/4, & SW1/4, SE1/4 of Section 36, T6S, R1W, SLBM, is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

It is our understanding that this SMO, NOI is intended to replace the existing permit application for this mine filed under mine reference number ACT/049/003, Black Mine. The mine has not exceeded five acres of surface disturbance; therefore, it should not be included in the large mining operation category. A reclamation bond is no longer required by the Division for this small mining operation. Our records indicate that an \$8811.00 surety bond is held by the Division of State Lands and Forestry for this mine site. We will notify State Lands that Interstate Brick is no longer obligated to post reclamation surety for this small mining operation with this

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Division. However, State Lands may not choose to release said surety prior to final reclamation of this mine site. Your request and justification for a variance from rule R613-003-107 is approved.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Reclamation Hydrologist

jb Enclosure

cc: Jerry Mansfield, State Lands

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